

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, immediately after the title, please insert the following paragraph and heading as follows:

This specification for the instant application should be granted the priority dates of October 8, 2003, the filing date of the corresponding German patent application 103 46 667.3, October 6, 2004, the filing date of corresponding German patent application 10 2004 048 691.3, as well as the priority date of October 7, 2004, the filing date of the corresponding International patent application PCT/EP2004/011193.

Background of the Invention.

On page 3, line 19, please insert the following heading:

--Summary of the Invention--

On page 17, line 13, please insert the following heading:

--Brief Description of the Drawings--

On page 18, line 20, please insert the following heading:

--Description of Specific Embodiments--

On page 23, line 12, through page 24, line 2, please amend this paragraph as follows:

The guide pin 63 is of dimensions such that it fits into the bore hole 34 of the flange 16 and makes possible pivotal mounting of the nozzle element 50 therein. The shoulder 38 on the flange 16, the rounded portion 46 on the front end of the slant 42, and the round recess 30 on the flange 15 are respectively of dimensions such that they provide a guide for a part of the circular cylindrical part of the main element 54. The nozzle element 50 is substantially installed here such that the flat face 55 substantially forms a right angle to the slant 42 and the branch bore 60 extends substantially perpendicular to the lower face 24 and 25 of the flanges 15 and 16. Furthermore, the nozzle element is installed such that it is slightly recessed in relation to the flat lower faces of the flanges 46, ~~47~~1, it also being possible, however, to install the nozzle

element 50 and in particular its outlet port flush with the straight lower faces of the flanges. Preferably, it should be avoided that the nozzle element projects over the lower side of the flanges.

On page 32, lines 2 – 23, please amend this paragraph as follows:

In the description of the operation of the device according to the invention, the cleaning fluid was supplied to the corresponding nozzle elements 50, 51 during cleaning such that the fluid was substantially in an unpressurized condition at the respective outlet ports of the nozzle elements 50. The cleaning fluid was thus applied to the fluid substrate passively by means of a negative pressure resulting from suctioning of air. Of course it is also possible to apply the cleaning fluid actively to a corresponding substrate, in that the media supply 105 is controlled such that the fluid comes out of the outlet ports of the nozzle elements 50, 51 under pressure. The pressure should be kept relatively low in a range of between 10 KPa and 30 KPa, preferably 20 KPa, so as to prevent it from splashing when it hits the substrate and in this way getting into a central area, i.e. an area of the substrate which is not to be cleaned. Even if the cleaning fluid is conveyed onto the substrate under pressure, the output of the pump 100 or of a corresponding other suctioning device is set such that the liquid is suctioned directly and completely in the manner described above. Applying the fluid under pressure is particularly advantageous if the distance between the flanges and the substrate is increased because with an increased distance an inproportionately high suctioning force would be necessary in order to achieve sufficient negative pressure at the outlet ports of the corresponding nozzle elements 50, 51.

On page 33, after line 6, please insert the following two new paragraphs:

--The specification incorporates by reference the disclosure of German priority documents 103 46 667.3 filed October 8, 2003, 10 2004 048 691.3 filed October 6, 2004 and PCT/EP2004/011193 filed October 7, 2004.

The present invention is, of course, in no way restricted to the specific disclosure of the specification and drawings, but also encompasses any modifications within the scope of the appended claims.—

In addition, please add the following abstract to the specification: